

## 2005 POT CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING

The annual meeting for the Pot Creek Distribution System was held February 2, 2005, in the Conference Room of the State/County Building. The meeting convened at 11:15 a.m. conducted by Lee Sim of the Utah Division of Water Rights.

Lee Sim called the meeting to order and asked Andrew Dutson to read the minutes from the 2004 Annual Distribution Meeting. Walt Donaldson made a motion that the minutes be approved as read and Gale Rasmussen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike McCarrell read his Commissioner's Report for 2004. Bob Leake then gave a presentation showing the snotel site at King's Cabin, wherein there is 15" of water in the snow (18-1/2" precipitation) to date in 2005. In 1983, there was 12" of water in the snow. Bob also showed pictures of the new flume installation. Andrew Dutson will design plans and Mike McCarrell will construct a staff gauge for the new flume.

Lee Sim announced that Mike's 4-year term is up and asked what the recommendations were regarding the commissioner. Mike was asked if he would consider another term and he said he would. Walt Donaldson moved that Mike be reinstated as commissioner for another 4-year term and Bob Plaska seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

John Larsen presented the 2004 Financial Report and budget expenditures. There were no delinquent accounts. The balance to start 2005 is \$3,747.38, and does not include the cost of installing the new flume above Matt Warner, which was \$3,922.66.

In reviewing the budget for 2005, it was noted that in 2004, \$2,000 for equipment was not used and \$900 travel expense was not used. Bob Leake stated that a weir needed to be installed above Calder to measure the ditch. It was estimated that the weir would cost approximately \$500. Mike McCarrell stated that he will furnish the materials if Wildlife Resources will assist with supplying the equipment and labor. Mike also said that a recorder would need to be installed on the weir to accurately record what is going into Calder. Lee noted that the weir may cost more than \$500. Lee stated that the system would need \$3,500 to cover the budget, leaving a zero balance, and the present assessments are \$2,100.00. Walt Donaldson made a motion that the assessments be raised to put the budget at \$3,600. Paul McCoy seconded the motion and motion passed.

The measuring device below Crouse was brought up for discussion. Bob Leake stated that it is not functioning properly and it is Wildlife Resources' responsibility to fix it. Mike said that he could probably get together with Wildlife and repair it and move it where it would be more effective.

Lee Sim advised that the directors for last year were Walt Donaldson, Max Rasmussen and Levi Smuin. Paul made a motion to retain the present directors and Gale seconded. Motion passed.

The final item discussed was the new Memorandum of Understanding for the interstate regulation of Pot Creek. A lengthy discussion ensued with questions and clarifications of items such as measuring water at the State Line and if, by signing the MOU, would operations be flexible if they were agreed upon between the two states at the annual distribution meeting, or

would it be written in stone. Bob Leake advised Mike that he could work with Wildlife as in the past regarding the distribution of water among the three reservoirs. It was unanimously decided to try the new MOU for a year and see what problems arise. Then the operation manual could be amended, if necessary, prior to the State Engineer's signing.

The following people were in attendance at the meeting:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights - SLC
John Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights - SLC
Robert W. Leake	Utah Division of Water Rights
Andrew Dutson	Utah Division of Water Rights
Billie White	Utah Division of Water Rights
Bob Plaska	Colorado Division of Water Resources
Kathy Bower	Colorado Water Commissioner
Erin Light	Colorado Division of Water Resources
Michael L. McCarrell	Pot Creek Water Commissioner
Walt Donaldson	Division of Wildlife Resources
Bill Bradwisch	Division of Wildlife Resources
Ed Johnson	Division of Wildlife Resources
Paul McCoy	Utah Water User
Gale Rasmussen	Utah Water User
Greg Walker	Utah Water User

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.